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## Declaration For Patent Application

### English Language Declaration

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name,

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

**APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR TREATMENT OF STRIAL HEARING LOSS**

the specification of which

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(if applicable)

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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Prior Foreign Application(s)

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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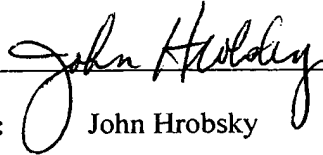
I, John Hrobsky, declare that I am the President of Advanced Cochlear Systems, Inc., a State of Washington corporation, and am authorized to execute this document on its behalf. Advanced Cochlear Systems, Inc., is the owner of the entire right, title and interest in the above-referenced patent application and appoints Timothy E. Siegel, of the firm Timothy E. Siegel, Patent Attorney to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office connected herewith including the filing and prosecution of further patent applications claiming priority from said above-referenced patent application.

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